

**WASHINGTON SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
March 14, 2008**

Board Members: Allie Joiner (District #1)
Pat Clothier (District #2)
Bonnie Decker (District #4)
Char Parsley (District #5)
Rita Reandeau (District #6)
Ariele Belo (District #7)
Sidney Weldele-Wallace (District #8)
Larry Swift (District #9)

Absent: Gail Pollock (District #3)

Legal Counsel: Bonnie Terada, Legal Counsel

*Interim
Superintendent:* Rick Hauan

Guests: Lorana Myers, Federation representative
Lori Scheer-Matheson, WPEA representative

Recorder: Judy Smith
Interpreters: Elizabeth Morgan, Don Coates

*The meeting was called to order by Bonnie Decker, Board Chair, at 9:02 a.m.
It was determined that a quorum was present.*

Agenda change

Larry Swift moved that the Executive Session portion of the agenda be moved to the top in order to accommodate the schedule of the representatives from Executive Careers. Pat Clothier seconded the motion. It was voted on and approved.

Executive Session

The Board went into Executive Session at 9:10 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. to evaluate the qualifications of an applicant for public employment pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(g).

- Reopened at 11:00 a.m. and closed again until 12:30 p.m.*
- Reopened at 12:30 p.m. and closed again until 1:15 p.m.*
- Reopened at 1:15 p.m. and closed again until 1:30 p.m.*
- The meeting reopened at 1:29 p.m.*

Minutes from February 8, 2008, meeting

Pat Clothier moved that the minutes from the February 8, 2008, meeting be approved as written. Sidney Weldele-Wallace seconded the motion. It was voted on and approved.

Reports

- **Finance**
 - Financial information was distributed. WSD 's supplemental budget has been approved.
- **Construction Update**
 - Renderings of the new construction were distributed and discussed.
 - Phase I (vocational/maintenance/cafeteria) will go out for bid on May 4th.
 - Construction will take approximately 11 months.
 - Groundbreaking will occur around graduation (June 12th)

Policy – 1st Reading

- Plain Talk (Policy: 5218): Since there were no suggested changes to Policy 5218, the second reading will be on the April agenda. Handout: Executive Order: 05-03

Keyboarding/Typing Curriculum

Due to time constraints the Keyboarding/Typing Curriculum presentation will be given at the April Meeting. Handout: "Keyboarding/Typing Curriculum" - summary of items to be purchased.

The current curriculum is from 1994 and is not compatible with today's technology. The proposed curriculum "Applied Computer Keyboarding, 6th edition" would cost \$2,048.

Rita Reandeau made a motion to purchase the proposed keyboarding/typing curriculum at a cost of \$2,048. Char Parsley seconded the motion. It was voted on and approved.

House Bill 2629

- HB 2629 did not make it out of the Senate Rules Committee.
- Most of the activities outlined in the bill are already in WSD's statutory language.
 - Can WSD currently afford the expenses for an advisory council as outlined in HB 2629?
 - What would be the impact on staff workload?
- If the bill is reintroduced, Larry Swift will be the Board's legislative liaison

- *This topic will be added to the April agenda during the Strategic Plan discussion.*

April Board Meeting

Topics for the April Board meeting:

- *Keyboarding/Typing Curriculum presentation*
- *Plain Talk (Policy 5218) – 2nd Reading*
- *Adopted curriculum update*
- *WSDDA – Naming the new vocational/maintenance/cafeteria building*
- *Strategic Planning/HB 2629*
- *Summer retreat in line with summer activities at WSD*

Announcement

Lorana Myers shared the following information with the Board: Both Nhan Tran (senior at WSD) and Larry Burns (staff member) have been selected to participate in the United States of America Deaf Basketball All Star Games which will be held in Orlando, Florida, in April. The Board will write a congratulatory letter to both.

Thank you to staff

The Board would like to convey their thanks to the staff and students for the outstanding job they did in hosting the Superintendent candidates.

Adjournment

Pat Clothier moved that the meeting be adjourned. Sidney Weldele-Wallace seconded the motion. It was voted on and approved. The meeting adjourned at 2:20 p.m.